

L.E. CARPENTER G. WHARTON, N.J. File review

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- inspected by K.T. Webster 10/79

- H.W. Site Inspection Report

• DRUMS ON-SITE

• POSSIBLE CONTAMINATION OF ROCKAWAY RIVER & WHARTON DRINKING WELLS

• 1975 FISH KILL IN ROCKAWAY RIVER

• SOILS CONTAMINATED AROUND BURIED DRUMS

• 200 FT. TO DRINKING WATER SUPPLY < 200 TO ROCKAWAY RIVER, gentle slope

- FROM NARRATIVE

• L.E. CARPENTER CO. MANUFACTURES VINYL COATED WALL COVERINGS

• 1975 FISH KILL CAUSED BY DEWATERING OPERATION DISCHARGE

• DRUMS BURIED ON SITE FROM 1965-70, COVERED WITH LOCAL FILL MATERIAL

• 8-10 DRUMS / WEEK TO SCAVENGER, BUT SINCE 1979 NONE TO HAUL STUFF S.I.T. ≈ 550 DRUMS STORED ON SITE

• WHELAN ENGR. HICED IN 1975, PROPOSED SOLUTION TO DISPOSE OF WASTE SLUDGE

• DRUMS 5 OCT. 1979 TO NJDEP (WHAT HAPPENED TO THIS?)

• ≈ 6000 sq. ft. for disposal area, saturated with waste products

• 450 DRUMS IN ORDERLY STORAGE, SOME DENTED

• 4- 6000 gal. storage tanks

• BURIED DRUM AREA ≈ 250 ft² - snow fenced.

• LOCATED UP STREAM OF Jersey City waterworks

• LOCATED IN 100 yr floodplain, soil unconsolidated glacial outwash ≈ 70' to bedrock

• SEASONAL WATER TABLE @ 4-5'

• FACTORY BUILT OVER ABANDONED IRON ORE MINE - USE FOR WASTE DISPOSAL? NO TESTING

• NO SAMPLING BY ANY GOV'T AGENCY

• May 1979 SAMPLING OF WHARTON WATER WORKS #3 WELL SHOWED 100 ppb XYLENE

• STATE ACTION PENDING

call 5/1 to set up appointment: State approval
to remove much (verbal) going to try to incinerate

wastes, either on-site
or at parent company
appointment for 9:00 AM tomorrow

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